

H. S. CRAM & SONS ARE RIGHT FOR ONCE

We are printing herewith a communication from the fluent pen of H. S. Cram and Sons, of this city, who have become somewhat famous for their contributions to the press of the land, in some of which they are pleased to attempt personalities of a nature that depict the real intellectual stratum in which the authors belong.

This letter is herewith produced, not because of the literary qualities which it possesses but for the reason that these people are right for once, even if it does require a long communication to explain their position, which position should be occupied by all who are interested in the development of the great Prineville country, without apologies or explanation.

The communication follows:
Prineville, Oregon,
November 8, 1916.
Editor Crook County Journal:—
As some of our friends are reporting us as being unfavorable to the irrigation district and the coming bond issue, we feel it our duty, through the columns of your valued paper, to state clearly our position and give our reasons for it.

We voted for the formation of the district last February and are going to vote for the bond issue on Saturday, and anyone who reports different is simply talking through his hat.

We were not satisfied with the terms offered by the board for our present rights, but we feel the board are fair men and only looking out for the best interests of the district. On the other hand, it is our duty for us to look out for our own interests and after taking legal advice, from what we think are the best qualified water lawyers in the state, we are satisfied our rights would be fully protected and that the board must and will deal fairly with everyone having prior rights. We have abundant water under our present rights to insure our crop and a number have said, "we should worry about the dry farmer." But that is neither fair nor businesslike, and nothing short of a dog-in-the-manger policy, which can only serve the selfish interests of a few people who care

nothing about helping the underdog or community interest, and when a project of this nature comes up we always have an element to deal with that is "agin the government, or anyone else that don't give them full say and the lion's share. But that element, thank God, never predominates, and aside from the unpleasant feature of having to deal with them, they are not much in the way.

The project being a new thing to our people, we were all more or less skeptical at the start and we regret that there has been so little effort on part of our city brothers to get the facts before the people, so they would be in position to fully appreciate the general benefits to accrue from this splendid undertaking.

We feel that our engineer has very carefully investigated every detail of the project and has compiled a correct report, so that anyone who will give honest investigation can see for himself that all we have to do is to support the work and we will have a country here in three years that will be the most prosperous section in the state.

Christmas time will soon be here and we hope that we will all go to the polls next Saturday and vote our community Christmas greetings that will make us as one great family, living under equal conditions. Such places as "Poverty Flat" and "Alkali Meadows" will cease to exist and Prineville will not need to worry about railroads or a live town. We believe that next Saturday will show that our people are progressive and that the calamity howlers will be snowed under.

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SUGAR BEET PLANT IS NOW POSSIBLE

This valley is well adapted to the raising of sugar beets and if the Oehoco Project is constructed, local men have intimated that an effort will be made immediately to have a sugar beet factory built in the valley. Such a factory could be built if not less than 7,500 acres of irrigated lands can be signed up for not less than a three year period for the raising of sugar beets.

The cost of the sugar factory would be approximately \$1,000,000.00.

The returns from the raising of sugar beets range from \$5.00 to \$6.00 per ton at the factory. It is possible to raise an average of about fifteen tons of beets per acre at a cost of from \$15.00 to \$25.00 per acre, which leaves a net profit per acre of about \$50.00. This return of \$5.00 per ton at the factory is practically a standard price, a higher price being paid for beets containing a higher percentage of sugar, but \$5.00 per ton can be almost depended upon throughout a long term of years. At Grants Pass, Oregon, \$6.00 per ton is being paid. Besides sugar values, the pulp which results from the manufacture of the sugar is a stock food of very high value and beef cattle and sheep which are fed on it bring very high returns in the Portland market.

The building of a sugar factory in this valley would mean not only the expenditure of a large amount of money to build the factory, but would mean a large pay roll for many years to come. It would also mean that our "eggs would not all be in one basket," so to speak, so that when returns from the hay or grain crops were low, the average profits of the irrigated lands would be kept up to a high level by the raising of the sugar beets.

The cost of the district system to "dry" land will be not to exceed \$47.00 per acre which will include all cost of construction, reservoirs, water rights, etc., and two to three years' interest. The annual interest charge on this amount, after the construction work is completed and the water in use on the land, is \$2.82 per acre of irrigable land.

lands now having a partial water right the net annual cost per acre for interest will be the difference between \$2.82 and the allowance made for the water rights. For instance, the cost to land having a 50 percent water right would be \$2.82 less 50 percent of \$2.82, or \$1.41 per acre. All irrigable lands in the district whether they now hold a water right or not pay the same maintenance charge.

After water right settlements are made and all benefits accruing from the construction of the district system are equalized, all irrigable lands within the district are placed on an equal footing, every acre being bonded for the same amount and taxed for the same amount each year. However, the man who has had a water right has had bonds issued to him in a certain proportion of this cost so that he is enabled to clip the interest coupons therefrom and use these for the payment of interest to the district so that the net result to him is the difference between these interest coupons and the total amount assessed.

Automobile Contest Is Quieter This Week

For the first time since the opening of the Journal's automobile contest, there has been a lull in the activities of the candidates this week and while the friends of those who are making the strongest effort to secure the little car that is on exhibition at the Inland Auto Company garage in this city have come forward with a number of votes, the coming few weeks before the prize is awarded, will be much more active.

The standing of the candidates at the hour of going to press was:

Mrs. Hugh Nelson	705,000
B. F. Nichols	675,000
Dolly Hodges	75,000
Hale Ordway	35,000
Alma G. Morse	20,000
Alex Rickman	15,000
Harry Farnsworth	15,000
Hugh Lakin	15,000
Glenn Hendrickson	15,000
R. E. Balfour	10,000
E. C. Park	10,000
Mrs. L. M. Miller	10,000
Zoe Cornett	10,000
Gladys Bayn	10,000
J. L. Wright	10,000
Ernest Estes	10,000
Vira Cyrus	10,000
C. C. Hyde	10,000

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Next Lyceum Attraction
At the Club Hall
Tuesday Night, Nov. 14

BROWN BEAR KILLED BY A LADY HUNTER

A large brown bear was killed in the Blue Mountains near the headwaters of McKay Creek, on Sunday by Mrs. Orval Osborn.

Bruin was discovered on the day previous by Mr. Osborn, Demaris and French, who gave chase but without avail. On the following morning the hunt was resumed and Mrs. Osborn joined the party.

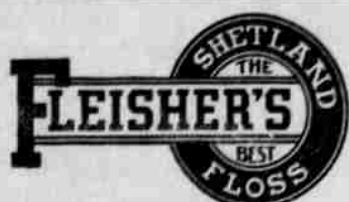
Before evening the bear was treed and Mrs. Osborn killed him with a rifle. He was a large specimen and was sleek and fat.

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